report has not been received in Central Water Commission for techno-economic appraisal.

The estimated cost of the Kakadavu Irrigation Project as originally received in Central Water Commission in 1974 was Rs. 13.36 crores. According to State's 1991-92 Annual Plan document, the State Government has incurred expenditure of Rs. 1.84 crores upto end of March, 1991. As per original report, the project envisaged irrigation of an area of 41,760 hectares annually.

Telephone to Village Panchayats in Karnataka

3988. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have prepared a plan to instal phones in all village panchayats in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of village panchayats in Karnataka likely to be provided with telephones;

(c) the total expenditure involved therein; and

(d) the number of villages in Karnataka likely to be provided with telephone facility during 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Out of 8305 total Village Panchayats, 3373 are already provided with telephone facility. The remaining Village Panchayats are planned for provision of telephone facility during 1991—95.

(c) Rs. 50 crores (approximately).

(d) 270 Village Panchayats are Planned to be provided with telephone facility during 1991-92.

Horticultural Projects in Karnataka

3989. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI:
SHRI S. B. SIDNAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has submitted proposals for horticultural development in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the proposals cleared by the Union Government; and

(d) the steps taken to implement those projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) to (d) The Government of Karnataka have submitted the following proposals:—

(A) *Foreign Assistance*

(i) Integrated Development of Horticulture in Karnataka for increasing production/productivity of horticultural crops and developing marketing and processing facilities with World Bank assistance. The World Bank has advised to include this proposals under the Integrated Development of Tropical Horticulture Project.

(ii) Development of Coconut Plantation in Karnataka for increasing production/productivity of coconut with EEC assistance. The State Government has been advised to resubmit the proposal on EEC format.

(B) Two Centrally Sponsored Schemes for development of fruits and floriculture and one for assistance to processing units during the year 1991-92 have been received from the State Government in July, 1991. The Central Sector Plan Schemes for 1991-92 have already been finalised and the schemes now suggested cannot be included during the current year.

Development of Watershed Projects in Karnataka

3990. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kreditanstalt Fur Wiederaufan Mission visited India in 1989 to explore the possibility of funding the selected agricultural development projects in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Government of Karnataka had submitted some watershed projects to the Union Government for clearance;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether those proposals were approved by the Mission and the Union Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) and (e) Karnataka Government submitted an Integrated Watershed management Project recently in July, 1991 for 10 watersheds located in the districts of Kolar, Mysore Mandya and Hassan to cover an area of 114956 ha. at a cost of Rs. 654.2 millions for being sponsored to Kreditanstalt Fur Wieduraufan.

National Research Centre for Oil Palm

3991. SHRIMATI BASAVA RAJESWARI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a National Research Centre for Oil Palm in Shimoga district of Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the time by which Centre is likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Sir, there is a proposal to set up a National Research Centre for Oil Palm bu the final decision regarding to location and establishment has not yet been taken.

[Translation]

Smuggling along Indo-Bangladesh Border

3992. SHRI SIMON MARANDI:
SHRI MONORANJAN SUR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether large scale smuggling and incidents of theft and dacoities are taking place on Indo-Bangladesh Border;

(b) if so, the details of the articles seized and persons arrested during the last three years;

(c) the number of incidents of theft of cattle reported during that period; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Government is aware that some incidents of thefts and smuggling are taking place on Indo-Bangladesh Borde.

(b) and (c) A stat[illegible]ent is attached.

(d) Patrolling/Nak[illegible] e been intensified. Observation [illegible] Towers have been erected for better observaions and increased vigilance along the International Border. Binoculars, twin telescope, PNV Binoculars and hand-held search lights have been provided for ensuring better vigilance on the border. Mobile patrolling by border patrols mounted on jeeps/Motor Cycles has been introduced for increased vigilance, effective surveillance and quick reaction.